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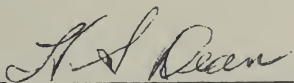
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PLANT QUARANTINE IMPORT RESTRICTIONS
OF
BELGIAN CONGO

This revision of the plant quarantine import restrictions of the Belgian Congo has been prepared for the information of nurserymen, plant quarantine officials, and others interested in the exportation of plants and plant products to that country.

The summary was prepared by Henry Blum, Plant Quarantine Branch, from various Ordinances promulgated by the Economic Affairs Service of the Belgian Congo Government and was reviewed by officials of that Service.

The information contained in this circular is believed to be correct and complete up to the time of preparation, but it is not intended to be used independently of, nor as a substitute for, the original texts, and it is not to be interpreted as legally authoritative.



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IMPORTATION RESTRICTED

Plants and Seeds

(Ordinance No. 53/5 of Apr. 9, 1915)
(Katanga Ordinance No. 1 of Jan. 10, 1931)^{1/}

Every shipment of plants, tubers or seeds imported into the Colony must be accompanied by a certificate of origin declaring the shipment to be free from cryptogamic diseases or infectious agents. Plant products found to be attacked by any cryptogamic disease or infectious agent will be treated at the expense of the importer or, if necessary, destroyed.

This restriction also applies to importations of plants, tubers, or seeds into the Province of Katanga.

IMPORTATION PROHIBITED

Maize

(Ordinance No. 51/431 of Dec. 22, 1952)^{1/}

The importation of maize is prohibited in order to prevent the introduction into the Colony of corn leaf rust (Puccinia polysora Underw.)

Water Hyacinth^{1/}

(Ordinance No. 51/162 of May 4, 1955)

The importation into, or transit through, Belgian Congo of water hyacinth (Eichornia crassipes) is prohibited.

IMPORTATION PROHIBITED
EXCEPT UNDER PERMIT

Banana Plants

(Ordinance No. 207 of July 16, 1942)

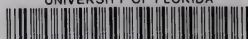
The importation of cultivated or wild banana plants is prohibited except under a permit obtained in advance from the Governor General.

Cacao Plants

(Ordinance No. 51/169 of May 19, 1948)

The importation of propagating material of cacao plants is prohibited except under a permit obtained in advance from the Governor General.

^{1/} Information contained in Foreign Service Despatch No. 101 dated September 19, 1955.



Coffee Plants

(Ordinance No. 95 of May 24, 1922)

The importation of coffee plants or parts thereof is prohibited except under a permit obtained in advance from the Governor General.

Cotton Seed

(Decree of June 18, 1947)

The importation of cotton seed for planting is prohibited except under a special permit from the Governor General.

This prohibition does not apply to importations for the experimental stations of the Colony.

Seeds and Plants for Silkworm Culture

(Ordinance No. 134 of May 16, 1946)

The importation of seeds or other propagating plants for silkworm culture is prohibited except under a permit obtained in advance from the Governor General.

Sunflower Plants

(Ordinance No. 51/172 of May 24, 1950)

The importation of propagating material of sunflower plants is prohibited except under a permit obtained in advance from the Governor General.